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**CLAIM OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

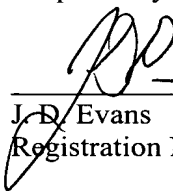
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that small entity status be granted to the applicant in the above-captioned application. If there are any questions in reference to this request, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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